(iii) Cutting of trees;

(iv) Construction of any clusters of dwelling units, farms houses, sheds, community centers, information centers and any other activity connected with such construction (including roads, a part of any infrastructure relating thereto);

(v) Electrification (laying of new transmission lines).

(b) As per the information obtained from Government of Rajasthan, in Alwar District only construction activities permissible under the Aravali Notification, 1992 are being allowed with prior environmental clearance. However, in the Gurgaon District some unauthorized constructions violating the Notification have been reported.

(c) The Government of Rajasthan have reported that afforestation is being done to restore the greenery of the area. In the Gurgaon District, greenery was restored under Aravali project implemented between 1990 to 1999.

World bank study report on resource depletion

1111. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed a recent World Bank study entitled "Where is the Wealth of Nations", highlighting *inter-alia* that resource depletion and surging population growth are draining the net savings of the Third World Countries and could cripple the future generations; and

(b) if so, the details of specific areas of concern expressed by the World Bank and fresh steps initiated to check damage to the environment and futher depletion of natural resources while taking decisions for executing various development projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Proposal regarding environmental clearance of project

1112. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have cleared any proposals received from Andhra Pradesh regarding environmental clearance for various projects; and